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(SBU) POLOFF delivered reftel demarche to Emma Leonard, First Secretary, Irish Aid on April 3. Ireland recognizes the need

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for additional aid for Iraqi refugees, Leonard said, and agrees that health care and education are necessary first steps to prepare them for their return to Iraq. Over the past two years, Ireland has contributed almost 5 million euros to various aid projects for Iraqi refugees, Leonard stated, including the UNHCR fund for education and the WHO. Although she said that she could not yet provide funding details for planned contributions in 2008, Leonard indicated that Ireland plans to continue contributing to these funds during the next year.  
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